



Patent and Trademark Depository Library Association

Executive Committee Resolution
Recognizing

Mr. James A. Arshem

Whereas, Jim Arshem was the very first of a long line of Patent Fellowship Librarians serving in the Patent & Trademark Depository Library (PTDL) Program Office of the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office (USPTO); and

Whereas, Jim and his colleagues Carole Shores and Jane Meyers served as the welcoming faces of the USPTO; that assured new PTDL Representatives they would eventually absorb and make sense of a mountain of information and training; and

Whereas, Jim and his colleague Martha (Crockett?) Sneed provided the training and foundation of knowledge for patent librarianship for a generation of PTDL representatives in an expanding PTDL network; and

Whereas, Jim served as mentor and guide to more than 20 (check this?) waves of conference attendees, many visiting Crystal City and Washington, D.C. for the very first time; and

Whereas, stories have been passed from person to person of the wonders that lie dormant in Jim's photo archives, simply waiting for the proper time and leisure to be excavated and displayed; and

Whereas, Jim has served as the "Quiet Conscience" of the PTDL Program; encouraging USPTO staff and PTDL Representatives alike to consider the needs of our ordinary library patron, the people all of us in the PTDLA have been working for and representing in our national activities; therefore

Be it resolved that the Patent and Trademark Depository Library Association recognizes and honors Mr. James A. Arshem **with a Lifetime PTDLA Membership Award** for his valuable years of leadership and commitment to making patent and trademark information available to the public, and for the many contributions that he has made to both the Patent and Trademark Depository Library Program and United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Signed,
PTDLA Executive Committee
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